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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 4, 2007, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

**Amendments to the claims** begin on page 2 of this submission.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this submission.